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PATENT
Docket Number: 31181.26
Customer No.: 000027683

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: § Confirmation No. 4680
Cole, et al. §
Serial No.: 10/018,023 § Examiner: Pedro Philogene
Filed: December 10, 2001 § Group Art Unit: 3732
For: Femoral Intramedullary Rod System §

RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner of Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 28, 2004, please consider the following remarks:

No fees are believed to be required at this time. If, however, any additional claim fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these additional fees to Haynes and Boone, LLP, Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an additional extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to Haynes and Boone, LLP, Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

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